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Under item 86 on the front page, the 371(c) (1), (2), (4) Date is printed as "Oct. 13, 2000" but should read --Apr. 7, 2000--. A two page letter from the Patent and Trademark office is attached that shows the proper 371(c) date as April 7, 2000.

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DECISION ON RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

On 09 August 2000, this Office mailed a decision dismissing applicants petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) for failure to satisfy all the requirements of a grantable petition. Specifically, applicants had failed to provide adequate proof that a diligent effort had been made to obtain the signature of the nonsigning inventor, whom applicants claimed could not be located.

On 22 September 2000, applicants filed the "Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" considered herein. This Renewed Petition sets forth in detail the efforts made to locate the nonsigning inventor, and it is supported by a declaration executed by Ms. Davida Fornarotto, the paralegal who had tried to contact the nonsigning inventor. The facts set forth in the Renewed Petition and in the declaration of Ms. Fornarotto provide adequate evidence that a diligent effort has been made to locate the nonsigning inventor. Accordingly, applicants have now satisfied all the requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is GRANTED. The application is accepted without the signature of applicant/co-inventors, Mehmet Kemal Ozkan.

As provided in 37 CFR 1.47(a), a notice of the filing of this application will be forwarded to the non-signing inventor at the last known address of record as set forth in the petition, and a notice of the filing of the application under 37 CFR 1.47(a) will be published in the Official Gazette.

The application has an international filing date of 13 October 1998 under 35 U.S.C. 363 and a date of 07 April 2000 under 35 U.S.C. 371(c).

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the International Division for further processing in accord with this decision, including mailing of a Notification Of Acceptance Of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903).

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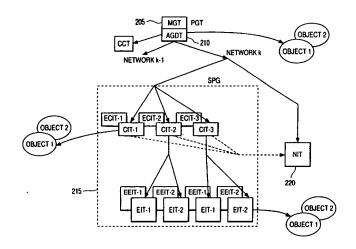
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ABSTRACT

A device for reading or writing on optical recording media with disk type recognition capability has an optical scanning device and a focus regulating circuit. The object of the invention is to provide a device of this type which can reliably recognize in a short time the type of the recording medium inserted into the device. Another object of the invention is to provide a corresponding process. These objects are attained in that the disk type recognition capability includes a mirror signal generator, a threshold value generator, a counter and an evaluation unit. The process is based on the utilization of a mirror-signal value of the device for disk type recognition.

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